



MEMO

To: Asheboro Redevelopment Commission
From: John N. Ogburn, III, City Manager
Date: October 28, 2015
RE: Asheboro Redevelopment Commission Regular Meeting

The Asheboro Redevelopment Commission will have its regularly scheduled meeting on **Monday, November 2, 2015, at 9:00 a.m.** at City Hall, in the Council Chambers located at 146 N. Church Street.

AGENDA
ASHEBORO REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
Monday, November 2, 2015
9:00 AM

- I. Call To Order
- II. Approve Minutes of Last Meeting (October 5, 2015)
- III. Report on the 2015 Urgent Repair Program
- IV. Marmaduke Robbins Law Office - Eagle Scout Project Completion
- V. Report on Proposed Church Street "Road Diet"
- VI. Presentation on Pedestrian Improvements for Randolph Hospital
- VII. Consideration of 2016 Regular Meeting Dates
- VIII. Items Not on the Agenda
- IX. Adjourn

Minutes
Asheboro Redevelopment Commission
October 5, 2015
9:00 AM

The Asheboro Redevelopment Commission held its meeting on Monday, October 5, 2015, at 9:00 AM in the Council Chambers located at 146 North Church Street, Asheboro, NC 27203

Members Present:

Linda Carter, Chair
Cynthia Bailey, Vice Chair
David Jarrell
Jonna Libbert
Ann McGlohon
Katie Snuggs
Roger Spoon

Members Absent:

Tommy Lemonds

Also present were John Ogburn, City Manager; Ed Brown, Code Enforcement Officer; Justin Luck, Zoning Administrator/Planner; Bradley Morton, Planning Technician/Deputy City Clerk.

No citizens were present at this time.

Ms. Linda Carter called the meeting to order.

Approval Minutes of Last Meeting (September 14, 2015)

Ms. Carter asked if the commission had looked over the minutes and if there were no objections, they would be approved as presented. There were no objections.

Report on the 2016 All-America City Application Status

Mr. Luck gave a presentation of the All-America City (AAC) award application process. He discussed the steps which city staff took in 2014-15. He stated that we were awarded as finalists last year but did not receive designation as an All-America City. He stated that the City of Asheboro will try again in 2016. He stated that in 2016, the application focus is ensuring all children are healthy and supported to succeed in life and school. He stated that like last year, there will be three (3) programs highlighted in the AAC application. This year, community programs will be encouraged to apply during an open application period for inclusion in the AAC application. An application/selection committee, comprised of City of Asheboro

staff and community partners, will evaluate the list of program applicants and select three (3) programs that are making large impacts in the city. He stated that last year, the programs were selected from a small pool and he felt that this year's open application will bring awareness of more programs that are doing great work in the community. He stated the application process for the programs would likely take place on October 15, 2015 and would run through November 15. He also stated that a Letter of Intent is due by November 4, and providing this letter would cut down on the application fees. He stated that the All America City Application was due by March 9, 2016 and that finalists will be announced in early April 2016. He stated that if the City of Asheboro were finalists again this year, then the AAC Conference would be held in Denver, Colorado sometime in mid June. He stated that the AAC award will provide local and national recognition and is a great networking tool for a community to have. Mr. Spoon asked about the statistics of hungry children. Mr. John Ogburn mentioned that 50% of children in schools have free or reduced lunch. Ms. Linda Carter mentioned that the backpack program would be a good resource for this project. Mr. David Jarrell asked why it was necessary for a city who has already received the AAC designation come back and apply again. Mr. Ogburn stated that some cities go through different eras of being a community and gave an example of a city, which had been demolished due to a natural disaster, came back and applied and received designation again.

Reports on Nuisance Abatement and Minimum Housing Issues

Mr. Ed Brown gave a presentation on the code enforcement projects for the last quarter. He stated that it was a busy quarter, and gave some examples of the projects undertaken, including removal of structure and grass abatement. He gave certain examples of residential nuisances and as well, touched on some commercial building code cases. He showed pictures of some of the demolished structures, as well as some other code enforcement abatement within the City of Asheboro. Ms. Carter inquired about the building inspections process in the event that the property owner in question is ordered to demolish a structure, but in turn decides to repair it. Mr. Brown stated that building permits are required and inspections take place. Ms. Snuggs had a question about the tethering of dogs, to which Mr. Ogburn stated that there was not a regulation against this at this time. He stated that around 50 structures have been removed in the last three (3) years.

Report on the 2015 Land Development Plan Update

Mr. Luck reported on the Land Development Plan (LDP) updates that will be going to City Council for adoption at the October 8, 2015 regular meeting. He presented the commission with the entire text portion of the update, as well as maps of the plan, and stated that the updates would be an appendix to the existing LDP. He mentioned that the LDP was an important tool for elected officials, boards and commissions members, staff and also citizens of Asheboro to use when determining if a property should be zoned a certain way. He went over a timeline of the efforts already made, including advertisements run in the newspaper, letters sent out to all

affected property owners, and neighborhood meeting dates and outcomes. He stated that the Planning Board would be asked to recommend adoption of these changes to the City Council at their October 5, 2015 regular meeting and asked for the commission's general consent of approval, which was given. He stated that this was a great learning experience for the city due to the neighborhood outreach and knowledge obtained from the citizens of Asheboro regarding land use.

Items Not on the Agenda

Mr. Ogburn mentioned that the Trick of Treat in the Park would be on a Saturday this year. He mentioned that the Veterans Day Parade would be on November 11, 2015. He mentioned Thanksgiving and the Christmas Parade, as well as Christmas on Sunset. Mr. Jarrell inquired about the Cranford building. Mr. Ogburn stated that the smokestack was fixed and that Mr. Jerry Neal was still in the time frame to make a decision on purchasing the building. Ms. Carter wanted the commission members to get Mr. Brown's business cards so that if they had any potential violations or issues they could give him a call. Ms. Carter also asked about the Urgent Repair Program. She was informed that home inspections for three (3) of the applicants have been done already. Ms. Libbert asked if the minimum housing abatement cases are asked to donate homes to Habitat for Humanity. She was informed that some homes in the past have done this. Mr. Ogburn stated that the next meeting would be November 2, 2015 and that local election day would be November 3, 2015.

Adjournment

Mr. Jarrell made a motion to adjourn. Ms. Snuggs seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously. There being no further business to discuss, Ms. Carter adjourned the meeting.

Brad Morton, Secretary
Asheboro Redevelopment Commission

Proposed 2016 Redevelopment Commission Meeting Dates

Monday, January 4, 2016
Monday, February 1, 2016
Monday, March 7, 2016
Monday, April 4, 2016
Monday, May 2, 2016
Monday, June 6, 2016
Monday, September 12, 2016*
Monday, October 3, 2016
Monday, November 7, 2016
Monday, December 5, 2016

*Labor Day will be on the first Monday of September